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UM SUMMER COURSES OFFERED FOR TEACHERS
TO MEET INDIAN STUDIES REQUIREMENTS

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MISSOULA--

The University of Montana is offering opportunities for people who teach on or in the vicinity of Montana's Indian reservations to meet a new state law.

According to the Montana Indian Studies requirement, teachers on or near Indian reservations must earn six credits in Indian history, traditions and beliefs.

To help teachers meet those requirements, the University is scheduling a conference on "American Indian Culture and Education" June 12-23. The conference, which may be taken for three or six credits, is jointly sponsored by the Native American Studies Program, the School of Education and the Center for Continuing Education and Summer Programs.

Interested members of the community also are welcome to attend the conference, which will feature state and national Indian leaders speaking on American Indian Studies, a film festival, curriculum displays and art exhibits. Cultural enrichment activities will include Native American foods, dancing, games, oral tradition, music, dress and language. Running concurrently with the conference will be a display of historical photography entitled "Blackfeet Images."

In addition, "Indian Life for the Contemporary Teacher " (NAS 395/595) will be taught for six credits by Prof. Gary Kimble during the first and second four-week summer sessions (June 19-July 14; July 17-August 11). The completion of this course also will meet the requirements of the Indian Studies Law and the Indian Culture Plan.

Information about any of these opportunities is available at the UM Center for Continuing Education and Summer Programs, Main Hall 107, University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812 or by phoning 243-2900.

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